IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Docket No.: 3593.1000-003

Applicant: Gordon D. Ross (deceased)

Application No.: 10/568,261 Group: 1655

371(c) Date: November 1, 2006 Examiner: McCormick, M.L.

Confirmation No.: 9677

For: EFFECT OF BETA-GLUCAN ON STEM CELL RECRUITMENT AND

TISSUE REPAIR

Typed or printed name of person signing certificate

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated August 12, 2009, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-7) drawn to a method of enhancing glucan-mediated stem cell proliferation after injury via the complement system pathway, comprising administering to an individual a therapeutically effective orally bioavailable amount of whole glucan particles, wherein the glucan activates and enhances committed stem cell proliferation via the complement pathway are elected for prosecution. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicant does not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

An extension of time to respond to the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

A Petition for an Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

Respectfully submitted,

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